

# Protestant-Catholic Tensions Discussed

By John J. Hurt Jr.  
DENVER (BP) — Opposite views on the easing of Protestant-Roman Catholic tensions were presented to Protestants and other Americans united for separation of church and state (POAU) here.

Stanley I. Stuber of Kansas City presented an optimistic picture to the organization's annual conference. An Ameri-



Dr. Claude Rhea

## Festival To Be Held In Coliseum

The new Mississippi Coliseum, located on the State Fairgrounds in Jackson, will be the meeting place for the annual State Baptist Youth Choir Festival to be held Feb. 23.

Fifteen hundred young people, coming from every section of the state, are expected, according to W. C. Morgan, Music Director.

Dr. Claude Rhea, Director of School of Sacred Music, New Orleans Seminary, will be the guest director.

Other participants will include Dr. Donald Winters, head of the Music Department at Wm. Carey College, Hattiesburg, at the organ, and Miss Jan Cutrell, pianist, at Ridgecrest Baptist Church, Jackson, at the piano.

**To Have Orchestra**  
Orchestra director will be Hal Polk, band director of Forest High School. Members of the orchestra, all members of First Baptist Church, Forest, are: John Townsend, Ray Johnson, Bill Huff, Jr., Larry Jones, John Huff, Royce Kelly, Jr., and Jim Thompson.

The public has been invited to attend a sacred concert by the mass choir under direction of Dr. Rhea. The concert will be held at 3:20 p.m.

Those to attend will be young people between the ages of 13 and 24. The festival will begin at 9:30 a.m. with adjournment set for 4:15 p.m.

This will be the second Mississippi Baptist meeting to be held at the Coliseum, the first having been the closing Youth Night session of the State Convention last November.

## THE CHURCH—

# God's Channel For Great Awakenings

By Mrs. Rosalee Mills Appleby  
(Sixth of a Series)

America has erected her skyscrapers, but these have not brought us closer to "heavenly places." She has penetrated into outer space but has not discovered sufficiently that which "eye hath not seen or ear heard." She has printed her Bibles by the millions and marched on without heeding their precepts. She has built great highways and bridges without discovering the secret that would make us enjoy them. She has put up her safety signs on a thousand curves yet allowed the dangers that led to death on the television. She has hewed out better roads to physical hygiene but neglected spiritual health. She has provided innumerable comforts for transient enjoyment with too little desire for treasures in heaven.

She has exhausted every means to prolong physical existence but has been forgetful of eternal life. Her churches have been careful to teach Biblical precepts without leading into the POWER that will make their practice possible. The soul and the material have

can Baptist who is executive director of the Missouri Council of churches, Stuber said. Vatican Council II would cause the Roman Catholic church to "Begin to prove in action that religious freedom is the right of all."

Stuber attended the opening sessions of the council.

E. S. James of Dallas, editor of the Baptist Standard, disputed this forecast. The standard has the largest circulation of any Southern Baptist Convention weekly newspaper.

James declared, "Regardless of their claims of allegiance to the principle of separation, I charge today that Roman Catholicism has always been, is now and will likely always be the chief antagonist of the principle. It is contrary to her logic, her pronouncements, her polity and her plans."

**Should Make Corrections**  
Stuber added, in support of his prediction, the Vatican Council should make "At least three basic corrections" for religious liberty, including freedom for individual interpretation of Bible, recognition of equal church membership and the "whole matter of religious liberty."

He declared, later, "Something will have to be done quickly and drastically" in the United States to "call off those who are waging a national campaign to get federal aid for parochial schools."

James criticized Roman Catholics for their bloc voting to establish political control, adding "What the hierarchy fails to get today by favorable legislation and intimidation, it hopes to get tomorrow by control of the population."

He elaborated to say "That control is being rapidly accomplished by controlled immigration and uncontrolled multiplication. While others plan size of their families she plans size of the church."

Glenn L. Archer of Washington, executive director of the organization, closed the conference with his appeal for unity in the fight to keep church and state separate.

"If clericalism succeeds in America," he said, "The historic dream of a free people will die; a free conscience will perish; human rights will yield to clerical dictation and domination, and democracy will be chained to institutionalism."

**Mr. Archer Adds**  
Added Archer:

"Clericalism is a cancer on the body of the church. It asks the state for a cure which the church alone should possess. Clericalism leans upon the state for power that a God-blessed (Continued on page 2)

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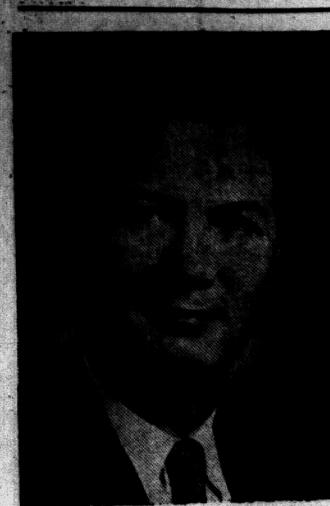
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Miss Claudette Finley



Mrs. Robert Woody



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## NINE GUESTS TO SPEAK IN BLUE MOUNTAIN FOCUS WEEK

Focus Week at Blue Mountain College, February 18-22, will bring to her campus nine outstanding speakers and personalities, from various vocational fields of service.

There will be two assembly sessions each day, featuring one or more of the visiting team members. All morning assemblies will be held in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium from 9:45 until 10:30. All evening assemblies will be held at 7:00 o'clock in the same auditorium.

Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, President of Blue Mountain College, will assist in presiding and each phase of the campus planning.

Barbara Jett, Moberly, Missouri, Mississippi's summer Missionary to Hawaii, 1962, is general chairman of Focus Week arrangements.

Focus Week visiting team members will include the following:

Ed Seabough, Co-ordinator, Nashville, Tennessee, Director of Baptist Student Work, Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. Allen W. Graves, Dean of

### Gains Reported . . .

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the documentary description and the current reports as being well informed and objective."

He says that the two taken together "Seem to describe rapid progress on the part of the Colombian Government against a problem which contributed heavily to illiteracy, oppressed, and underdevelopment in this neighboringland."

"There can be little doubt," Carlson continued, "That many of the devices prescribed in 1887, or even in 1953, are now sources of major embarrassment in the climate of 1963. This embarrassment is shared by the Roman Catholic Church, by the Government of Colombia, and by the U. S. Government as it undertakes to assist the Latin American Nations become more competent in the democratic process."

The U. S. State Department reply to Goff was signed by Casper D. Green Colombia Desk Officer. The Alliance for Progress is part of the Agency for International Development, which is located in the Department of State. Green cited four specific assurances from the Colombian Government about the elimination of religious discrimination in U. S. aided schools. They are:

1. Such schools are open to all students without regard to race or color;

2. Non-Catholic students are not compelled to attend Catholic religious instructions, masses or other strictly religious functions;

3. Textbooks are selected by a joint committee of officials from the U. S. agency for international development mission in Colombia and the ministry of education; and

4. The church has no control over the selection of teachers, nor is there a religious qualification for teachers or for admittance to normal schools.

### Revival Dates

Highland, Crystal Springs: February 17-22; Rev. Percy Ray, Myrtle, evangelist; Rev. James Bule, Jackson, song leader; Rev. D. J. Benson, pastor.

### O. D. Morris . . .

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an associate secretary in the Department of Survey and Special Studies. Morris, an employee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, has led that state in survey work for the past two years.

Survey methods developed by the board enable churches to secure information from their communities on the religious affiliation of the residents. In addition, the surveys provide information on areas which need new missions or churches. The surveys have been used for areas as small as a local church to as large as an entire state.

Morris, a native of Omaha, Neb., received most of his education in Virginia, after his family moved to Newport news. He secured degrees from Bluefield Junior College at Bluefield and at the University of Richmond. His theological degree was earned at New Orleans Seminary.

Morris has rendered outstanding service in Mississippi in survey promotion and comes to our staff with a background of pastoral and denominational experience," said Arthur B. Rutledge of Atlanta, director of the Board's Mission Division, in announcing the addition of Morris to his staff.

He worked in Virginia with the Goodwill Center in Richmond, was a mission pastor in DeLacroix Island, La., and was pastor of D'Lo Baptist church in D'Lo Miss.

He married Margaret June Anderson, who also secured degrees from each of the three schools he attended. They have two children.

## Rural Area Sunday

### Schools On Decline

ATLANTA (BP)—"Southern interest in Sunday School in rural areas seems to be on the decline," Leonard G. Irwin of the Southern Baptist Convention's Home Mission Board revealed recently.

Recent results of a Tift County, Ga. interdenominational religious survey showed that 49 per cent of the children under nine were not in Sunday School. "This same thing is showing up all over the South in rural areas," said Irwin, secretary of the Department

of Survey and Special Studies of the Home Mission Board. He pointed out that the percentage of Sunday School members was higher in years past.

Local church members made up 35.1 per cent of the people surveyed, with 6.3 per cent non-local church members. Total membership was thus below the national average of 42.6 per cent for the average community.

For Baptists, the survey initiated an area church development ministry, the next step of which will be a church development seminar.

Around 13,500 persons were covered by the survey, which included 22 per cent of the area selected. Tifton is the county seat of Tift County, which has a population of approximately 24,000.

Like Director

J. E. Duke, pastor of the DeSoto Park Baptist Church of Rome, Ga., was director of the survey, serving as an approved worker of the Home Mission Board's Department of Survey and Special Studies. Carrying out the door-to-door canvass were 432 volunteers from churches of various denominations.

Charles R. Standridge, pastor of First Baptist Church, Tifton, and vice-president of the Home Mission Board served as local coordinator of the survey. His church will be host church for the seminar and will serve as a pilot church for the Home Mission Board and the Georgia Baptist Convention in a church development program to be carried over a period of years.

The eight-day survey will be followed by a church development seminar designed to instruct the Baptist pastors in mission techniques, to interpret the survey to the churches, and to help the churches to make immediate and long-range plans based on the survey and other studies.

Gentry To Participate

This seminar will be directed by Lewis W. Newman, associate in charge of church development in the Department of Associational Missions of the Home Mission Board. Also taking part will be Duke; Franklin Siegler, chairman, department of pastoral ministries, Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth, Tex.; T. E. Dougherty, pastor, Oakhurst Baptist Church, Decatur, Ga.; Charles Gentry, pastor of West Heights Baptist Church, Pontotoc, Miss. and outstanding pastor—1962 for churches of over 500 members in the church development ministry; and Arthur Henson, assistant executive secretary, Georgia Baptist Convention.

tess toward Sabbath observance and public worship. . . . The Presbytery affectionately plead with their people—especially with the youth of the Church—to take these matters to heart and to make serious inquiry as to what must be the end should there be no repentance. They call upon every individual as before God to examine his or her life in the light of that responsibility which pertains to us all, that haply, in the Divine mercy, we may be visited with the spirit of repentance and may turn again unto the Lord whom we have so grieved with our iniquities and waywardness."

Hyman Appelman mentions a recognized fact that denominations and missions pass through three states. FIRST, there is the PIONEER period of struggle, poverty and humility. Because of faithfulness, God gives EXPANSION. Next comes the time of LUXURY, where there is a dependence upon things: better buildings, organization, more equipment etc. The eyes are taken from Christ and concentrated on the external. This results in the last stage: DECAY.

Instead of bluster and brag, glorying in outer achievements of larger numbers and useless adornments, may we not hear the Voice of the Spirit, speaking to the angels of our churches as in Apoc. 3:17-19.

Let us see what one church did to bring a Revival on the Isle of Lewis near Scotland during the years 1949-53. They acknowledged their failure, came together and discussed it. Their plan was to publish an appeal for prayer in two newspapers. This was the circular letter printed:

Call Upon People

"The Presbytery of Lewis, having taken into consideration the low state of vital religion within their own bounds, and throughout the land generally, call upon their faithful people in all their congregations to take a serious view of the present dispensation manifested, not only in the chaotic conditions of international politics and domestic economics and morality, but also, and especially, in the lack of spiritual power of Gospel Ordinances, and to realize that these things plainly indicate that the Most High has a controversy with the Nation. They note especially the growing corruption



PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION—Dr. Bob Cook, of Nashville, program personality, is poured a cup of coffee at the president's reception during the meeting last week of the State Religious Education Association at Edgewater Park. Pouring is Mrs. R. C. Alexander, Youth Director of First Church, Jackson. Looking on are Mrs. Horace Kerr, hostess for the occasion and Dr. Charles Tidwell, associate professor of Religious Education, Mississippi College. The association voted to meet Feb. 6-8 of next year at the same place.

### Volunteers Teach In Some Church-Related Schools

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—The Peace Corps said here that some of its volunteers in Africa and Borneo are working in mission schools conducted by religious groups—but only because there are no other schools in which to teach.

None of the Peace Corps workers are teaching religion, nor are they permitted to engage in religious work while stationed at mission schools, a Peace Corps spokesman said. The Corps also insists that they be assigned to teaching posts without regard to personal religious affiliation.

This has resulted in a number of Protestant volunteers serving in a Roman Catholic school on Borneo, the spokesman said, and may result in Catholic or Jewish volunteers teaching in Protestant mission schools in the Congo or other African lands.

The Peace Corps issued the statement here in response to a critical editorial in the Dec. 21 issue of Christianity Today, which asserted that the host government must take the volunteers regardless of their religious preference, the Peace Corps said. "They may be assigned to teach in private schools—which in many areas of Africa and Borneo are the only schools—but they cannot teach any religious subjects."

It added that it does not know how many volunteers are Protestant or Catholic because "this information is nowhere provided on the forms."

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But he pointed to New Guinea, where an anti-Christian massacre resulted in 80 deaths at a Baptist mission last September 30. There also are evidences of developing trouble spots, he said, in certain Asian and African areas where non-Christian religions are becoming dominant.

Family Life . . .

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Dr. Joe W. Burton, secretary of the sponsoring department, said that the purpose of the conference is twofold: To bring about better understanding of the present problems which confront us in the area of marriage and family life, and to secure the involvement of responsible representative Southern Baptists in a united effort to solve these problems.

Those scheduled to participate in the conference from Mississippi are the following: Dr. Clyde C. Bryan, Dr. Joel D. Ray, Mrs. Glen T. Pearson, Hattiesburg; Rev. and Mrs. Ivor L. Clark, Macon; Dr. Lewis A. Curtis, Calhoun City; Frank Horton, State College; Rev. Cecil R. Maples, Morton; Dr. R. R. Pearce, Clinton; Rev. Bradley Pope, Shelby; Rev. Gerald Riddell, Oxford; Rev. Jerry Sionaker, Petal; and Henry E. White, Jr., Corinth.

Bryant Cummings, Rev. Tom Douglas, Miss Evelyn George, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Gregory, Judge Carl E. Guernsey, Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Horace L. Kerr, Miss Marjean Patterson, Miss Edwina Robinson and Rev. L. Gordon Sanning.

A compact radio transceiver no larger than a pack of king-size cigarettes, has been developed by the Communications Systems Division of ITT Kellogg, a division of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation. The nine-ounce radio transceiver, known as Kel-O-Rad, is said to provide "hands-free" two-way voice communications in a wide variety of military and industrial environments.

### 'M' Night Totals Show Gains in '62

NASHVILLE—"The 1962 'M' (Mobilization) Night totals are above those for 1961—adding another chapter to this Training Union success story," said R. Maines Rawls. He is director of associational work for the Baptist Sunday School Board's Training Union Department.

According to Rawls, the "M" Night record has climbed above that of the preceding year for 18 consecutive years. The 1962 total attendance was 563,757, as compared with 553,761 a year ago. The number of churches represented totaled 22,890; the number of pastors present, 17,492.

### Montana . . .

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Seal, Calvary, Meridian, to First, Butte; Rev. Lloyd Sparkman, First, Kosciusko, to Trinity, Missoula; Rev. R. H. Cherry, Toombs, Meridian, to First, Deer Lodge; Rev. George Douglas, Tunica, to Hamilton Church, Hamilton.

Dr. David Grant, Broadmoor Church, Jackson, to First, Anaconda; Rev. N. F. Greer, First, Quitman, to First, Three Forks; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, State Baptist Executive Secretary, to First, Billings; Rev. Gordon Sansing, Associate Executive Secretary, to First, Great Falls; Dr. Joe Odle, Editor The Baptist Record, to Calvary, Helena; Rev. J. H. Kyzar, First, Greenwood, to Westside, Great Falls; Rev. J. C. Redding, Fairview, Indianola, to First, Forsyth; Rev. Hugh Martin, Gulfport Heights, to First, Lewiston; Rev. Tom Douglas, Associate State Sunday School Department, to College Heights, Bozeman.

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the church, or any human agency."

The Baptist leader cited an apparent easing of tension in some countries—especially Spain and Colombia—where a dominant church had closed Baptist churches and otherwise.

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James E. Goff, secretary of information for the Evangelical Confederation of Colombia, said \$40 million allocated for public schools in Colombia in a four-year period means "the United States is picking up the tab" because Colombia "has been handing over money to the Roman Catholic church at such a rate that it doesn't have enough left to provide adequately for the public schools."

Goff added there had been discrimination against Protestants. He asked: "In how many of the 200 new alliance for progress schools now completed a similar condition exist?"

The KEY to Revival is with the angel of the church. "His responsibility at this crucial hour is tremendous. The enemy of our souls will often use church members to discourage him. The pastor must know the spiritual laws of an Awakening. Every godly Christian should give his loyal backing to the man God has placed in his church. The needs of this hour is a challenge to brave men who stand on the walls of our tottering world as 'stewards of the mysteries of God.' I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, (America) which shall never hold their peace day nor night: ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence. And give him no rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth. Isa. 62:6-7.

Four Things Made Clear

Four things were made clear to the Christians and became governing principles:

1. They themselves must be rightly related to God.
2. They were possessed of the conviction that God, being a covenant-keeping God, will keep His covenant engagements.
3. They must be prepared for God to work in His own way and not according to their program.
4. There must be a manifestation of God, demonstrating the reality of the Divine in operation, when men would be forced to say, "This is the

TELEGRAM

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GA Convention reservations closed today. We are scheduling a second convention Thursday night, June 20 through noon Saturday, June 22. Same program outline, hotel rates, etc. All who have confirmed hotel reservations are O.K. Others should call 222-3022. Letting and details to follow.

Betty Brewer

## Spiritual Illiteracy Decried

ALEXANDRIA, La.—"Don't blame the colleges," Dr. Wayne Dehoney told church workers gathered here for the Louisiana State Sunday School Convention. "We send our young people off to school with a blank check and a blank mind unprepared to give an answer for their faith. It is little wonder they fall easy prey to such philosophies as 'Nihilism' and 'Rationalism'!"

Dehoney, who is pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, Tennessee, spoke on the subject "The Church Must Teach." "The Bible-teaching ministry of the church is not a peripheral matter or a sideline activity" he told Sunday school workers. Because pastors and churches have neglected the teaching ministry he charged that "we have reared spiritually illiterate generation."

"A measure of our neglect is the fact that on any given Sunday less than 30% of 10 million Southern Baptist church members can be found in organized Bible study. Those who do come want a condensed 'spiritual Metrecal' to gulp down in one dose," he further said.

### Materialism

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The discovery of any scientific truth, including the reality of human life on other planets, should enhance the power and might of the Creator.—H. Y. Mullikin, professor and head of the department of physics and astronomy, Georgetown College, Kentucky. "How Should the Discovery of Human Type Life on Other Planets Affect My Christian Faith?" in February BAPTIST STUDENT.

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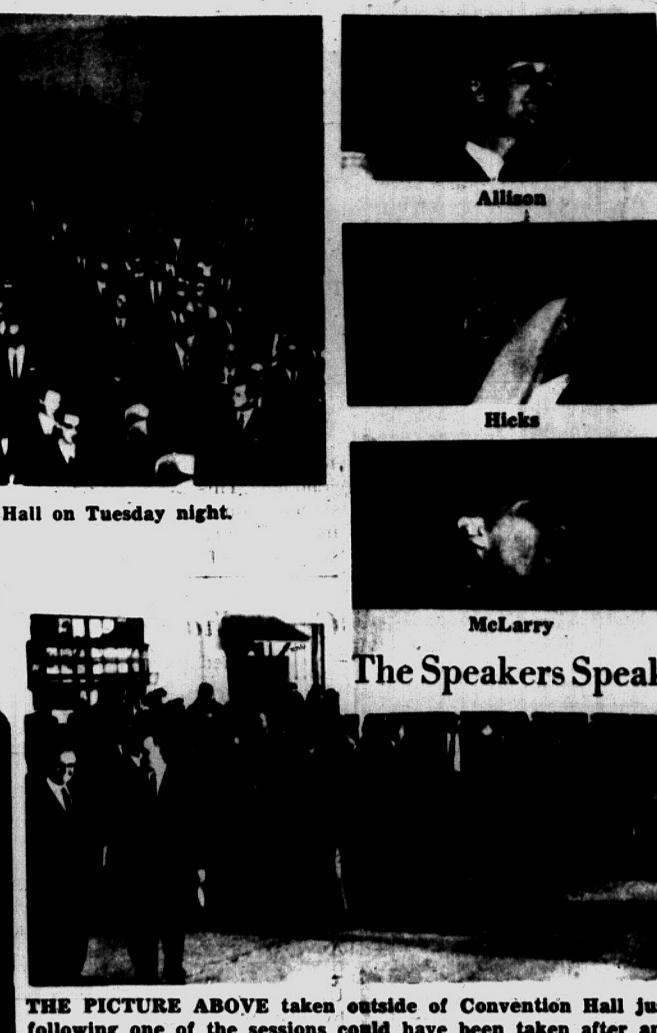
The Speakers Speak



READY TO LEAVE at close of conference and put into practice what they learned are, from left: Rev. Harry Kellogg, pastor First Church, Indianapolis; Phillip Fratesi, Indianapolis layman, and Dr. John Cobb, pastor First Church, Inverness.



SEVERAL SING LUSTILY during one of the opening song periods.



THE PICTURE ABOVE taken outside of Convention Hall just following one of the sessions could have been taken after any session except the last, indicating the real interest in the meetings.



SEVERAL PASTORS took their wives. Photo shows Rev. and Mrs. James Fancher of First Church, Florence, (left) and Rev. and Mrs. M. Ray Campbell of Richland Church at Plain.

## The Camera Records the State Evangelistic Conference

### Baptist Get . . .

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"In a sense, the miracle of Incarnation is performed every time one becomes a Child of God."

Representing the Division of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board was Rev. Newman McLarry, who recently went to the Division as an associate.

Speaking in Mississippi for the first time and appearing twice on the program he made a most favorable impression with his passion for the lost and his call for urgency in throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

Allison Spoke

The third of the visiting

speakers was Dr. Gray Allison, Baptist evangelist of Ruston, La., who made a hit with his evangelistic Bible study at each session.

Dr. Allison was pictured as a Bible scholar who can speak the language of the non-scholar as well as those well-versed in the scriptures.

State pastors appearing on program as usual gave a good account of themselves.

The final service found the president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., of Columbia, providing his share of the challenge.

Dr. Bush, a layman, in his message, brought gales of laughter as he declared at the beginning of his message that

he had his chance now to say what he wanted to the preachers but he was afraid to."

His fear left him forever for he brought a real challenge to the pastors to redouble their efforts in evangelism. The Columbia dentist told how he had wanted to be a preacher but

God had ordained that he should be a layman.

### Music Effective

At this point he emphasized the place of every Christian in the efforts to win the lost.

Conference music, under general direction of W. C. Morgan, played its usual important part in making the program effective.

Music directors taking turns leading included Glenn Parker, Prentiss; James Hayes, Jackson; Gene Hubbard, Jackson; W. Loyd Pelham, Pascagoula. Special music included solos, quartets and church choirs. At the organ was A. L. Nelson, assembly director.

The conference opened on Monday night of last week on a high spiritual note and came to a climactic close at noon Wednesday following an impressive dedication service.

Leading this dedication period was Dr. Hultgren, the closing speaker, who led the final dedicatory prayer.

Mississippi Baptists baptized the 22,700 they set as their goal this year, they will have to baptize several hundred more than in any previous year.

This objective could easily become a reality if Mississippi Baptists go forth from the State Evangelistic Conference with the zeal and enthusiasm called for at the meeting.

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## Move Made To Withdraw Canada Messenger Issue

PORLAND, Ore. (BP)—The Texas pastor who moved that Canadian messengers be seated at the Annual Southern Conventions now wants to withdraw his motion.

It has been on the agenda for the SBC Executive Committee's winter meeting. The matter was referred to the executive Committee from the 1962 Convention.

In a letter to Porter Routh, Nashville, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee, Nolan M. Kennedy of Amarillo asked to withdraw the question.

He said his action was based on a desire "To remove every possible hindrance to the Baptist Jubilee Advance." Kennedy also said, "some of us have become aware that the cause of the churches in western Canada seeking recognition . . . is a factor which seems to be hindering fraternal relations with other Baptists and an injury to our Baptist Jubilee Advance."

The Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Oregon-Washington, meeting here, voted "to concur in the request that this proposed amendment (to the SBC Constitution) be withdrawn."

Jack W. McKay, pastor, Westwood Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta, made the motion at the Portland board meeting. A Canadian pastor, he is a member of the Oregon-Washington Executive Board.

Acted "Without Prejudice" Kennedy and the Oregon-Washington Board wished to remove it "without prejudice." This means, in legal language, they may bring it up again at some future date.

Routh called Kennedy's move "A marvelous demonstration of Christian consideration. It is meant to create a real spirit of Baptist fellowship through the Jubilee Advance."

The group here added, "It should be pointed out that the Executive Board has every confidence in those Baptist churches in Western Canada that are affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Oregon-Washington and feels that in time the Southern Baptist Convention will do well to recognize those churches and seat their messengers in the convention."

The churches in Western Canada already send messengers to the annual Oregon-Washington Convention. The Oregon-Washington Convention is holding its first annual meeting in Canada this year—Vancouver, British Columbia, was chosen.

Opposition Developed Opposition to the seating of Canadian messengers at the SBC arose because of crossing the international boundary. Leaders of the Baptist Federation of Canada, a party in the Baptist Jubilee Advance, were among those protesting.

Routh pointed to the position taken by the SBC Committee on Canadian Baptist Cooperation. "It has stated repeatedly it felt greater progress could be made by working with all Baptist groups in Canada and in developing an indigenous convention. This is the policy of the SBC Foreign Mission Board."

How will the issue be dealt with now?

It is still a matter of convention business. "The Executive Committee will have to give a report of some kind to the convention at Kansas City on this matter," Routh said. It appeared likely, however, the Executive Committee would ask the convention to grant Kennedy's request.

## BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

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## MAN AND BOY RALLIES

The Brotherhood Department is conducting a new promotion this year. We have planned four Regional Man and Boy Rallies. These will be held during the month of April, beginning Monday, April 15 and closing Friday, April 19. The first rally will be held in Tupelo, meeting with the Harrisburg Baptist Church. The second will meet in Yazoo City, with the First Baptist Church. The third and fourth will be held in Liberty Baptist Church in Liberty and Highland Baptist Church in Laurel, respectively.

The first complete Polish



NO HONOR FOR THE DEAD—BERLIN—His job: to bar honor to the dead. This East German policeman walks a "graveyard shift" bearing testimony to the heartlessness of the Communists. The cemetery, bordering on West Berlin, contains thousands of dead from both sides of the divided city. The Communists "WAN" is blamed at the burial ground, where thousands of the relatives of the dead are buried from visiting graves in

gram is a very integral part of the overall Brotherhood program. It is our belief that boys need to see that the men of the churches have a very real interest in and a deep concern for them. It is our feeling that this can adequately be portrayed in Rallies such as we are planning to have in April.

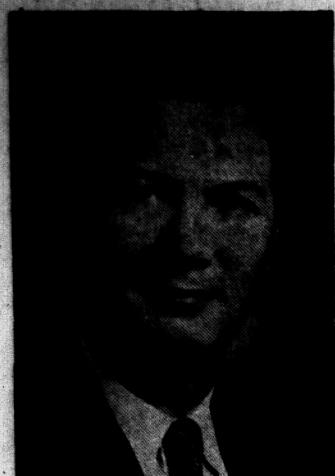
The program is planned

in such a way as to provide a

time for recreation, fellowship,

fun, food and innovation.

will be giving further information concerning the program.



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Dr. Robert P. Crouch

## NINE GUESTS TO SPEAK IN BLUE MOUNTAIN FOCUS WEEK

Focus Week at Blue Mountain College, February 18-22, will bring to her campus nine outstanding speakers and personalities from various vocational fields of service.

There will be two assembly sessions each day, featuring one or more of the visiting team members. All morning assemblies will be held in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium from 9:45 until 10:30. All evening assemblies will be held at 7:00 o'clock in the same auditorium.

Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, President of Blue Mountain College, will assist in presiding and each phase of the campus planning.

Barbara Jett, Moberly, Missouri, Mississippi's summer Missionary to Hawaii, 1962, is general chairman of Focus Week arrangements.

Focus Week visiting team members will include the following:

Ed Seabough, Co-ordinator, Nashville, Tennessee, Director of Baptist Student Work, Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. Allen W. Graves, Dean of

the School of Religious Education, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky; Earl Holloway, Minister of Music, First Church, Memphis; Mrs. J. O. Williams, Nashville, Tennessee, well-known lecturer and Christian homemaker; Mrs. John W. McCall, Memphis, an alumna of Blue Mountain College, past President of the National BMC Alumnae Association, a Christian Homemaker, active in all phases of church life, mother of three children, one being a member of the current freshman class of the College; Mrs. Robert Woody, Corsicana, Texas, also an alumna of Blue Mountain College, wife of a former Blue Mountain Baptist pastor, mother of three daughters, and active in all church circles; Dr. Robert Crouch, Asheville, North Carolina, well-known private physician of General Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery; Miss Claudette Finley, Nashville, Tennessee, a graduate student of Speech Pathology, Vanderbilt University; and Rev. Bill Causey, pastor of the Poplar Springs Drive Church, Meridian.

### Gains Reported . . .

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the documentary description and the current reports as being well informed and objective."

He says that the two taken together "Seem to describe rapid progress on the part of the Colombian Government against a problem which contributed heavily to illiteracy, oppressed, and underdevelopment in this neighboringland."

"There can be little doubt," Carlson continued, "That many of the devices prescribed in 1887, or even in 1953, are now sources of major embarrassment in the climate of 1963. This embarrassment is shared by the Roman Catholic Church, by the Government of Colombia, and by the U. S. Government as it undertakes to assist the Latin American Nations become more competent in the democratic process."

The U. S. State Department reply to Goff was signed by Casper D. Green Colombia Desk Officer. The Alliance for Progress is part of the Agency for International Development, which is located in the Department of State. Green cited four specific assurances from the Colombian Government about the elimination of religious discrimination in U. S. aided schools. They are:

1. Such schools are open to all students without regard to race or religion;

2. Non-Catholic students are not compelled to attend Catholic religious instructions, masses or other strictly religious functions;

3. Textbooks are selected by a joint committee of officials from the U. S. agency for international development mission in Colombia and the ministry of education; and

4. The church has no control over the selection of teachers, nor is there a religious requirement for teachers or for admittance to normal schools.

### Revival Dates

HIGHLAND, Crystal Springs: February 17-22; Rev. Percy Ray, Myrtle, evangelist; Rev. James Buie, Jackson, song leader; Rev. D. J. Benson, pastor.

### O. D. Morris . . .

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an associate secretary in the Department of Survey and Special Studies. Morris, an employee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, has led that state in survey work for the past two years.

Survey methods developed by the board enable churches to secure information from their communities on the religious affiliation of the residents. In addition, the surveys provide information on areas which need new missions or churches. The surveys have been used for areas as small as a local church to as large as an entire state.

Morris, a native of Omaha, Neb., received most of his education in Virginia, after his family moved to Newport news. He secured degrees from Bluefield Junior College at Bluefield and at the University of Richmond. His theological degree was earned at New Orleans Seminary.

"Morris has rendered outstanding service in Mississippi in survey promotion and comes to our staff with a background of pastoral and denominational experience," said Arthur B. Rutledge of Atlanta, director of the Board's Mission Division, in announcing the addition of Morris to his staff.

He worked in Virginia with the Goodwill Center in Richmond, was a mission pastor in DeLacroix Island, La., and was pastor of D'Lo Baptist church in D'Lo Miss.

He married Margaret June Anderson, who also secured degrees from each of the two schools he attended. They have two children.

## Rural Area Sunday

### Schools On Decline

ATLANTA, (BP)—"Southern interest in Sunday School in rural areas seems to be on the decline," Leonard G. Irwin of the Southern Baptist Convention's Home Mission Board revealed recently.

Recent results of a Tift County, Ga. interdenominational religious survey showed that 49 per cent of the children under nine "were not in Sunday School." "This same thing is showing up all over the South in rural areas," said Irwin, secretary of the Department

### God Channel . . .

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cluttered life to the exclusion of the spiritual and unseen.

Everywhere today, godly men and women are awakening to the tragedy of the wrong emphasis; to the desperate need of a new focus on the spiritual.

### The Answer Today

A Holy-Spirit Revival is the answer to such a need. A true Awakening is simply God taking over. It is never worked UP, but always brought DOWN by Christians satisfying the conditions. Man is an essential element in these divine Visitations. He is the junior partner possessed by the Senior agent; a submissive channel through which the Eternal works.

MAN, in the collective sense, is the ideal channel—that is, the CHURCH. The Holy Spirit should have the right of way through the divine institution organized to meet our moral and spiritual needs. It is only an apostate church that will reject a true revival. "The church was launched with a purpose, program and power sufficient to have changed world conditions. The good, the blessings, joy and peace we have are the fruits of the gospel which even a perverted Christianity has given. . . . We can still have a church of mighty, regenerating, reforming, cleansing, Christianizing power at work in the world." We are in desperate need of a new demonstration of divine power. The times are so critical that only a remedy that is drastic will meet the demands of this hour—a spiritual revolution that will change things at the roots.

### OUR CHURCHES CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT

Yes, and MUST do it, if we play the part necessary to save mankind. We can humble ourselves to the point of recognizing our failure and become instruments in God's hands to obey His will. Thus the churches become the proper channel through which divine blessings may be poured out to a confused world. Not to be broken now may result in the Almighty raising up instruments outside the churches, as in the time of Wesley. Then our beloved denomination will go backward until it reaches the epoch of DECAY.

Hyman Appelman mentions a recognized fact that denominations and missions pass through three states. FIRST, there is the PIONEER period of struggle, poverty and humility. Because of faithfulness, God gives EXPANSION. Next comes the time of LUXURY, where there is a dependence upon things: better buildings, organization, more equipment etc. The eyes are taken from Christ and concentrated on the external. This results in the last stage: DECAY.

Instead of bluster and brag, glorying in outer achievements of larger numbers and useless adornments, may we not hear the Voice of the Spirit, speaking to the angels of our churches as in Apoc. 3:17-18.

Let us see what one church did to bring a Revival on the Isle of Lewis near Scotland during the years 1949-53. They acknowledged their failure, came together and discussed it. Their plan was to publish an appeal for prayer in two newspapers. This was the circular letter printed:

### Call Upon People

The Presbytery of Lewis, having taken into consideration the low state of vital religion within their own bounds, and throughout the land generally, call upon their faithful people in all their congregations to take a serious view of the present dispensation manifested, not only in the chaotic conditions of international politics and domestic economics and morality, but also, and especially, in the lack of spiritual power of Gospel Ordinances, and to realize that these things plainly indicate that the

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**PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION**—Dr. Bob Cook, of Nashville, program personality, is poured a cup of coffee at the president's reception during the meeting last week of the State Religious Education Association at Edgewater Park. Pouring is Mrs. R. C. Alexander, Youth Director of First Church, Jackson. Looking on are Mrs. Horace Kerr, hostess for the occasion and Dr. Charles Tidwell, associate professor of Religious Education, Mississippi College. The association voted to meet Feb. 6 of next year at the same place.

### Volunteers Teach In Some Church-Related Schools

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—The Peace Corps said here that some of its volunteers in Africa and Borneo are working in mission schools conducted by religious groups—but only because there are no other schools in which to teach.

None of the Peace Corps workers are teaching religion, nor are they permitted to engage in religious work while stationed at mission schools, a Peace Corps spokesman said. The Corps also insists that they be assigned to teaching posts without regard to personal religious affiliation.

This has resulted in a number of Protestant volunteers serving in a Roman Catholic school on Borneo, the spokesman said, and may result in Catholic or Jewish volunteers teaching in Protestant mission schools in the Congo or other African lands.

The Peace Corps issued the statement here in response to a critical editorial in the Dec. 21 issue of Christianity Today, which asserted that the Peace Corps must take the volunteers regardless of their religious preference.

The host government must take the volunteers regardless of their religious preference," the Peace Corps said. "They may be assigned to teach in private schools—which in many areas of Africa and Borneo are the only schools—but they cannot teach any religious subjects."

It added that it does not know how many volunteers are Protestant or Catholic because "this information is nowhere provided on the forms."

### Protestant . . .

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church does not need. It demands a public tax which is bound to be a millstone around the neck of the church that forces it. It implements a coercion which the founder of Christian religion abhorred."

A Presbyterian missionary to Colombia charged that President Kennedy's alliance for progress is an indirect subsidy for the Roman Catholic Church in some of its funds for education.

James E. Goff, secretary of the Evangelical Confederation of Colombia, said \$40 million allocated for public schools in Colombia in a four-year period means "the United States is picking up the tab" because Colombia "has been handing over money to the Roman Catholic church at such a rate that it doesn't have enough left to provide adequately for the public schools."

Goff added there had been discrimination against Protestants. He asked: "In how many of the 200 new alliance for progress schools now completed a similar condition exist?"

### SBC . . .

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for the first convention, "it was reported from the Union's office here. "This is a full house." Hundreds of unconfirmed reservation requests were on hand when decision came to have two conventions.

The nationwide gathering will commemorate the 50th birthday of the Girls' Auxiliary.

Another 6,500 girls are expected to attend the second convention.

### 'M' Night Totals Show Gains in '62

NASHVILLE—"The 1962 'M' (Mobilization) Night totals are above those for 1961—adding another chapter to this Training Union success story," said R. Maines Rawls. He is director of associational work for the Baptist Sunday School Board's Training Union Department.

According to Rawls, the "M" Night record has climbed above that of the preceding year for 18 consecutive years.

The 1962 total attendance was 563,757, as compared with 553,761 a year ago. The number of churches represented totaled 22,690; the number of pastors present, 17,492.

### Montana . . .

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Seal, Calvary, Meridian, to First, Butte; Rev. Lloyd Sparkman, First, Kosciusko, to Trinity, Missoula; Rev. R. H. Cherry, Toombs, Keweenaw, First, Deer Lodge; Rev. George Douglas, Tunica, to Hamilton Church, Hamilton.

Dr. David Grant, Broadmoor Church, Jackson, to First, Anaconda; Rev. N. F. Greer, First, Quimby, to First, Three Forks; Dr. Chester L. Quarles, State Baptist Executive Secretary, to First, Billings; Rev. Gordon Sansing, Associate Executive Secretary, to First, Great Falls; Dr. Joe Odle, Editor The Baptist Record; to Calvary, Helena; Rev. J. H. Kyzar, First, Greenwood, to Westside, Great Falls; Rev. J. C. Redding, Fairview, Indianapolis, to First, Forsyth; Rev. Hugh Martin, Gulfport Heights, to First, Lewiston; Rev. Tom Douglas, Associate State Sunday School Department, to College Heights, Bozeman.

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the church, or any human agency."

The Baptist leader cited an apparent easing of tension in some countries—especially Spain and Colombia—where a dominant church had closed Baptist churches and otherwise ties.

But he pointed to New Guinea, where an anti-Christian massacre resulted in 30 deaths at a Baptist mission last September 30. There also are evidences of developing trouble spots, he said, in certain Asian and African areas where non-Christian religions are becoming dominant.

### Family Life . . .

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Dr. Joe W. Burton, secretary of the sponsoring department, said that the purpose of the conference is twofold: To bring about better understanding of the present problems which confront us in the area of marriage and family life, and to secure the involvement of responsible representative Southern Baptists in a united effort to solve these problems.

Those scheduled to participate in the conference from Mississippi are the following: Dr. Clyde C. Bryan, Dr. Joel D. Ray, Mrs. Glen T. Pearson, Hattiesburg; Rev. and Mrs. Ivor L. Clark, Macon; Dr. Lewis A. Curtis, Calhoun City; Frank Horton, State College; Rev. Cecil R. Maples, Morton; Dr. R. R. Pearce, Clinton; Rev. Bradley Pope, Shelby; Rev. Gerald Riddell, Oxford; Rev. Jerry Slonaker, Petal; and Henry E. White, Jr., Corinth.

Bryant Cummings, Rev. Tom Douglas, Miss. Evelyn George, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Gregory, Judge Carl E. Guernsey, Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Horace L. Kerr, Miss Marjean Patterson, Miss Edwina Robinson and Rev. L. Gordon Sansing.

A compact radio transceiver no larger than a pack of king-size cigarettes, has been developed by the Communications Systems Division of ITT Kalllogg, a division of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation. The nine-ounce radio transceiver, known as Kel-o-Rad, is said to provide "hands-free" two way voice communications in a wide variety of military and industrial environments.

### TELEGRAM

Miss Ruth Womack  
Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

GA Convention reservations closed today. We are scheduling a second convention Thursday night, June 22. Same program outline, hotel rates, etc. All who have confirmed hotel reservations are O.K. Others should

## Spiritual Illiteracy Decried

ALEXANDRIA, La.—"Don't blame the colleges," Dr. Wayne Dehoney told church workers gathered here for the Louisiana State Sunday School Convention. "We send our young people off to school with a blank check and a blank mind unprepared to give an answer for their faith. It is little wonder they fall easy prey to such philosophies as 'Nihilism' and 'Randism'!"

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Participating in the three-day program will be Paul S. James, pastor, Manhattan Baptist Church, New York City; L. D. Johnson, pastor, Greenville, S. C., First Baptist Church; John R. Claypool, pastor, Crescent Hill Baptist Church, Louisville; and William M. Dyal Jr., associate secretary, Department of Missionary Personnel, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond. All are alumni of Southern Seminary.

Missionaries and former missionaries to Brazil, Taiwan and Nigeria will talk with students about the work of the missionary, both at home and abroad. Home Mission Board representatives and a Peace Corps official, Lloyd Wright, Washington, will also discuss their areas of service with interested students. Wright is a former Baptist Press editor.

The discovery of any scientific truth, including the reality of human life on other planets, should enhance the power and might of the Creator.—H. Y. Mullikin, professor and head of the department of physics and astronomy, Georgetown College, Kentucky. "How Should the Discovery of Human Type Life on Other Planets Affect My Christian Faith?" in February BAPTIST STUDENT.

Medical care cost each American about \$116 in 1961, according to the Source Book of Health Insurance Data.

Plans for the campaign include participation by Evangelist Billy Graham and a large number of Baptist pastors, music leaders, and laymen from the United States. The Foreign Mission Board has offered encouragement and assistance to Japan Baptists in their plans for this special effort from the time those plans first began to develop about three years ago. More recently, Japan Baptists have also had the assistance of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, which offered to help arrange for participants from the United States.

Evangelist Billy Graham will be in Japan for about two weeks to help launch the evangelistic campaigns. Following five large city-wide meetings, there are to be local meetings over a period of several weeks in approximately 145 cities throughout Japan. Plans also include widespread use of radio and television in order to bring the Christian gospel to the attention of multitudes of people in Japan for the first time.

Rev. Toshio Miyoshi, professor in the Baptist theological seminary at Fukuoka, is chairman of the New Life Movement, and Pastor Shuichi Matsumura, of Tokyo, is general director.

"In these final weeks leading up to the actual evangelistic campaigns and during the weeks of the campaigns themselves, the prayers of Southern Baptist people can be a major and indispensable factor in the spiritual fruit expected from the Japan Baptist New Life Movement," says Dr. Winston



AN ESTIMATED 1,200 practically filled Convention Hall on Tuesday night.

Allison

Hicks

McLarry

## The Speakers Speak



READY TO LEAVE at close of conference and put into practice what they learned are, from left: Rev. Harry Kellogg, pastor First Church, Indianapolis; Phillip Frates, Indianapolis layman, and Dr. John Cobb, pastor First Church, Inverness.



SEVERAL SING LUSTILY during one of the opening song periods.



THE PICTURE ABOVE taken outside of Convention Hall just following one of the sessions could have been taken after any session except the last, indicating the real interest in the meetings.



SEVERAL PASTORS took their wives. Photo shows Rev. and Mrs. James Fancher of First Church, Florence, (left) and Rev. and Mrs. M. Ray Campbell of Richland Church at Plain.

## The Camera Records the State Evangelistic Conference

### Baptist Get . . .

(Continued from page 1)

"In a sense, the miracle of Incarnation is performed every time one becomes a Child of God."

Representing the Division of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board was Rev. Newman McLarry, who recently went to the Division as an associate.

Speaking in Mississippi for the first time and appearing twice on the program he made a most favorable impression with his passion for the lost and his call for urgency in throughout the Southern Baptist Convention.

Allison Spoke

The third of the visiting

speakers was Dr. Gray Allison, Baptist evangelist of Ruston, La., who made a hit with his evangelistic Bible study at each session.

Dr. Allison was pictured as a Bible scholar who can speak the language of the non-scholar as well as those well-versed in the scriptures.

State pastors appearing on program as usual gave a good account of themselves.

The final service found the president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Dr. Russell Bush, Jr., of Columbia, providing his share of the challenge.

Dr. Bush, a layman, in his message, brought gales of laughter as he declared at the beginning of his message that

he had his chance now to say what he wanted to the preachers but he was afraid to."

His fear left him forever for he brought a real challenge to the pastors to redouble their efforts in evangelism. The Columbia dentist told how he had wanted to be a preacher but

God had ordained that he should be a layman.

### Music Effective

At this point he emphasized the place of every Christian in the efforts to win the lost. Conference music, under general direction of W. C. Morgan, played its usual important part in making the program effective.

Music directors taking turns leading included Glenn Parker, Prentiss; James Hayes, Jackson; Gene Hubbard, Jackson; W. Loyd Pelham, Pascagoula. Special music included solos, quartets and church choirs. At the organ was A. L. Nelson, assembly director.

The conference opened on Monday night of last week on a high spiritual note and came to a climactic close at noon Wednesday following an impressive dedication service.

Leading this dedication period was Dr. Hultgren, the closing speaker, who led the final dedicatory prayer.

If Mississippi Baptists baptize the 22,700 they set as their goal this year, they will have to baptize several hundred more than in any previous year.

This objective could easily become a reality if Mississippi Baptists go forth from the State Evangelistic Conference with the zeal and enthusiasm called for at the meeting.

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## Move Made To Withdraw Canada Messenger Issue

PORTLAND, Ore. (BP)—The Texas pastor who moved that Canadian messengers be seated at the Annual Southern Conventions now wants to withdraw his motion.

It has been on the Agenda for the SBC Executive Committee's winter meeting. The matter was referred to the executive Committee from the 1962 Convention.

In a letter to Porter Routh, Nashville, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee, Nolan M. Kennedy of Amarillo asked to withdraw the question.

He said his action was based on a desire "To remove every possible hindrance to the Baptist Jubilee Advance..." Kennedy also said, "some of us have become aware that the cause of the churches in western Canada seeking recognition . . . is a factor which seems to be hindering fraternal relations with other Baptists and an injury to our Baptist Jubilee Advance."

The Executive Board of the Baptist General Convention of Oregon - Washington, meeting here, voted "to concur in the request that this proposed amendment (to the SBC Constitution) be withdrawn."

Jack W. McKay, pastor, Westwood Baptist Church, Edmonton, Alberta, made the motion at the Portland board meeting. A Canadian pastor, he is a member of the Oregon - Washington Executive Board.

Acted "Without Prejudice" Kennedy and the Oregon Washington Board wished to remove it "without prejudice." This means, in legal language, they may bring it up again at some future date.

Routh called Kennedy's move "A marvelous demonstration of Christian consideration. It is meant to create a real spirit of Baptist fellowship through the Jubilee Advance."

The group here added, "It should be pointed out that the Executive Board has every confidence in those Baptist churches in Western Canada that are affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Oregon - Washington and feels that in time the Southern Baptist Convention will do well to recognize those churches and seat their messengers in the convention."

The churches in Western Canada already send messengers to the annual Oregon Washington Convention. The Oregon - Washington Convention is holding its first annual meeting in Canada this year—Vancouver, British Columbia, was chosen.

Opposition Developed Opposition to the seating of Canadian messengers at the SBC arose because of crossing the international boundary. Leaders of the Baptist Federation of Canada, a party in the Baptist Jubilee Advance, were among those protesting.

Routh pointed to the position taken by the SBC Committee on Canadian Baptist Cooperation. "It has stated repeatedly it felt greater progress could be made by working with all Baptist groups in Canada and in developing an indigenous convention. This is the policy of the SBC Foreign Mission Board."

How will the issue be dealt with now?

It is still a matter of convention business. "The Executive Committee will have to give a report of some kind to the convention at Kansas City on this matter," Routh said. It appeared likely, however, the Executive Committee would ask the convention to grant Kennedy's request.

## BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

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Office Secretary

M. LEE FERRELL  
Associate

## MAN AND BOY RALLIES



NO HONOR FOR THE DEAD—BERLIN—His job: to bar honor to the dead. This East German policeman walks a "graveyard shift" bearing testimony to the heartlessness of the Communists in Berlin. The cemetery, bordering on West Berlin, contains thousands of dead from both sides of the Berlin Wall. The German government says the dead are buried from both sides in this cemetery—thus the name "graveyard shift." The cemetery is in the center of the city. The German government says the dead are buried from both sides in this cemetery—thus the name "graveyard shift." The cemetery is in the center of the city.

The first complete Polish-language translation of the Bible by Protestant scholars is expected to be ready by 1965 in time for national celebrations marking the 1,000th anniversary of Poland as a nation. The first rally will be held in Teplice, meeting with the Harrisburg Baptist Church. The second will meet in Yagow City, with the First Baptist Church. The third and fourth will be held in Liberty Baptist Church in Liberty and Highland Baptist Church in Joliet, Illinois.

gram is a very integral part of the overall Brotherhood program. It is our belief that boys need to see that the men of the churches have a very real interest in and a deep concern for them. It is our feeling that this can adequately be portrayed in Rallies such as we are planning to have in April.

The program is planned in such a way as to provide a time for recreation, fellowship, fun, food and inspiration. We will be giving further information on the Rallies in the coming issues.

## EDITORIAL PAGE

### The Baptist Record

Largest Circulation of Any Newspaper  
Of Any Kind in Mississippi

JOE T. ODLE, Editor

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### Criticizing Southern Baptists

This seems to be the "open season" for criticizing, analyzing and making predictions concerning Southern Baptists. From within, through the press and from the pulpit, and from numerous sources without the convention, are appearing criticisms, predictions and warnings concerning the denomination and its future.

For the past several months the denominational press has carried numerous such articles, largely centered in the controversy over theological liberalism. Now that issue is being freely discussed by others.

In the January 9, 1963 issue of *Christian Century*, which now labels itself as "An Ecumenical Weekly," and which has long been a voice of liberal Christianity, appeared a lengthy article under the title "The Southern Baptists: Need for Reformulation, Redirection." The author is a Southern Baptist, Dr. Samuel S. Hill, Jr., chairman of the department of religion at the University of North Carolina.

In the February, 1963 issue of *Harper's Magazine*, George Harmon, a Jacksonville, Fla., newspaper man, who grew up in Sardis, Miss., and graduated from the University of Mississippi, writes on the subject, "How to Tell a Baptist from a Methodist in the South."

Dr. John R. Rice, editor of the fundamentalist weekly, *The Sword of the Lord*, has written a number of articles relative to the action of the Southern Baptist Convention in San Francisco, and the subsequent firing of Dr. Elliott from the faculty of Midwestern Seminary. In a recent issue he asked, "Southern Baptists, is it lip service only which you render to Christ and the Bible, when you preach what Baptists believe and when you form statements of faith? Or do you set out to live like you talk?" He says that widespread modernism is "an acknowledged fact" among Southern Baptist seminaries, and asks what Southern Baptists are going to do about it. Other fundamentalist publications are making similar charges against the convention.

#### The Liberal View

Mr. Hill, in a subhead of his article, says, "The coming into being of a new southern culture poses a demand for a polity and a message that are relevant." In the article itself he says that the Southern Baptist Convention has "within the past two or three years begun to find itself seriously troubled with and ineffective without."

He is disturbed that Southern Baptists continue to hold traditional theological positions and to "faithfulness to the literal Word as they interpret it." He says that when the "Christian message bypasses the great personal and social ills of our day to concentrate wholly or primarily on one's status before a judgmental God in a life to come, it sounds hollow and harsh." He continues with this rather amazing statement, "Many would prefer hell to life in heaven with a God who is made to appear unconcerned about persons in the here and now and exclusively concerned for the restoration of his own offended dignity. Many have come to feel that a God in whom belief is not comprehensive and emancipating and healing is hardly worthy of the devotion of one's life."

#### Disturbed

Mr. Hill is also disturbed by such incidents as the firing of Dr. Elliott, and says that in 1963 "a steadily growing minority of pastors, seminarians and young laymen regard the critical approach to the Bible not only as a live option, but as the only approach which conveys the legitimacy, meaning and power of the biblical message." He admits, however, that these are not in control of the convention. "What appears to be forming in a coalescence of the southwest and frontier groups," made up largely of the "frontier states (Kentucky, Tennessee, southern Illinois and Missouri)" and the southwest and western bloc. "The southwest bloc, characterized by self-assurance and big-business temper, provides the drive; the frontier bloc embraces 'Landmarkism', a theology which maintains that the only true church is the local Baptist church, and that such a church stands in direct historical succession from Jesus Christ."

Dr. Hill believes that this coalition may seize control of the convention from the "middle-of-the-road segment which has generally been in power." In his thinking the "one realistic hope for preventing the transfer of Southern Baptist leadership to ultraconservative hands lies in the influence young ministers and laymen trained since the mid-1950s may be able to exert."

Dr. Hill believes that if the ultraconservatives do gain control Southern Baptists will cease to appeal to educated people, and may become a denomination "confined to members of the lower classes."

#### Baptists and Methodists

In his article Dr. Harmon compares Baptists and Methodists of the South. He says that when he was a boy there was little difference in the two groups, but that today "Southern Baptists are Jacksonville's (his city) primary depository of Protestant conservatism or fundamentalism. The Methodists, however, are a church in transition. They have been shifting theologically leftward for many years, and have become the South's color guard for liberal Protestantism, also called modernism."

Mr. Harmon says that the Baptist has "his eyes fixed on a Hereafter." He believes "the Bible to be a book of literal truth." "To a Baptist, Jesus Christ was God become man; through Crucifixion upon the cross, He mysteriously atoned for Adam's original sin . . . and He literally arose from His grave to ascend into Heaven, thus blazing the train to posthumous bliss."

Mr. Harmon speaks of Southern Baptists' evangelistic spirit, their preaching and teaching the Bible in their organizations and services, and seems to feel that they have little interest in the problems of this world.

#### Fair Appraisal

We believe that to a large extent Mr. Harmon has given a fair appraisal of Southern Baptists, although we disagree with his conclusion about their interest only in the hereafter and not in life in this world. As to whether he has fairly judged modern Methodism, we shall leave that to that denomination to decide.

Articles in other papers have similar criticisms of Southern Baptists. The fundamentalists say that the denomination is being taken over by the modernists, while the liberals say that the fundamentalists are seizing control. Some groups, even within the convention, feel that adherence to the decision to force such men as Dr. Elliott out of the seminaries will destroy the denomination, while others say that if they are not driven out the denomination will die. The critics are not agreed, so what is the true situation? Perhaps it is too large a problem, to be appraised in a brief article. However, one can make some definite observations.

#### Some Observations

1. It is certainly true that Southern Baptists are largely conservative in their theological position, and there is little possibility that they will abandon that position at any time in the near future.

2. Neither the liberals nor the fundamentalists are in control of the convention. There has always been a large fundamentalist group among us, and a smaller liberal group. Neither has had control in the past, nor is there likelihood that they will gain control now. Average Southern Baptist pastors and churches are not going to accept the doctrines of liberalism, but neither will they accept the extremes of ultra-fundamentalism. The convention



MISSIONS IN HOMELAND—"And he commanded us to preach unto the people" Acts II, 10:42. Mississippi Baptists, by supporting home missions, can "testify that it is he which was ordained of God." Rev. and Mrs. Douglas Pringle, missionaries to Spanish-speaking Parkview, N. M., visit with the Garcia family. (Home Board Photo)

has long had both groups, but the majority has always been nearer the center, although always on the conservative side. We are convinced that it will continue that way. 3. We do not believe that liberals will gain control of Southern Baptist seminaries. While we would concede that there may be some men holding questionable views who still remain on some faculties, they are in a minority, and the large majority of the men teaching in the institutions are Bible believing, conservative scholars. Furthermore, the action of the San Francisco convention was very clear when it said "we courteously request the trustees and administrative officers of our institutions and other agencies to take such steps as shall be necessary to remedy at once those situations where such views (theological views concerning the historical accuracy and doctrinal integrity of the Bible—ed.) now threaten our historic position." We believe that the trustees and administrators will take this request seriously. If they fail to act the Convention probably will speak again.

4. We do not see any danger of a serious rift in the ranks of the convention at any time in the near future. Some small groups and some individuals conceivably may leave the convention because of their doctrinal views, but we believe the great hosts of Southern Baptists will continue to march forward in the paths of fellowship they are following today.

#### A "Bible-believing" People

5. The vast majority of Southern Baptists proudly plead guilty to the charge that they are a "Bible-believing" people, whose greatest interest is in the salvation of the lost. They deny, however, that they are interested only in the future, and have no concern for the here and the now. Furthermore, Southern Baptists have done far more in the field of social problems, than most of their critics give them credit for. Southern Baptists are deeply concerned about "social problems" but believe that their basic solution is through the redemption of individual men. Only then can other action follow.

6. The Southern Baptist message is still relevant to the needs of modern man. Man's basic need has not changed. He may be called modern but his greatest problem still is sin and he needs to be saved. The gospel that Baptists preach is very relevant to that need. Indeed there is no other gospel that is relevant. We would ask our critics if the doctrines of liberalism are more effective in reaching modern man, than the gospel of redemption through the blood of Jesus Christ. Are churches which preach liberalism attracting larger congregations or reaching more souls, than Baptists with their message of "Thus saith the Lord"? The record will speak for itself in this issue. Mr. Harmon, in his article, admits that Baptists are the fastest growing group in his community.

7. Southern Baptists will, despite the dire prediction of the critics, continue to have a major influence in the religious life of the areas where they work, will continue to reach multitudes of people, and will continue to grow. By their own self-criticism, and by the wisdom of their people, pastors and leadership, they will correct the weaknesses in their program and emphasis. They will continue to hold their position as one of the major religious groups of America, adjusting their programs to the needs of today's world, but continuing to proclaim the message of the Word of God of "redemption through Jesus Christ" as the essential need of all mankind.

#### GUEST EDITORIAL

### Some Changes at the Mansion

by Jack L. Gritz

in *Baptist Messenger*, (Oklahoma)

When Governor Henry Bellmon announced a few days ago that all parties in the executive mansion during his administration would be "dry," many Christian people voiced a quiet "amen" of approval.

To what must have been a somewhat surprised press conference he said, "The mansion will be our home the next four years and we do not intend to serve any alcoholic beverages there." He jokingly added that there would be plenty of milk to drink.

Cocktail parties have become the curse of modern society. Their devastating effect upon affairs of state, especially in the national government, would be difficult to estimate.

The Christian people of Oklahoma may disagree about his policies but they can rejoice in a governor who is unashamedly dry.

## Quotables

SELECTED BY THE EDITOR FROM CONTEMPORARY THOUGHT AND OPINION

We show our best side to those who mean least to us. Arnold Glasow

A morning-glory at my window satisfies me more than the metaphysics of books. Walt Whitman

Delay in justice is injustice. Walter Savage Landor

## BAPTIST BELIEFS

By Herschel H. Hobbs  
Pastor, First Baptist Church  
Oklahoma City, Okla.

### The Separation of Church and State

The Pharisees and Herodians faced Jesus with a loaded question (Matt. 22:15-17). Involved was their Messianic concept which forbade payment of taxes to a pagan power.

To answer categorically either way would have involved Jesus in trouble with the Romans or the Jews. Jesus did neither (Matt. 22:18). The coin testified to the Jews' subservience to and dependence upon the State (vv. 19-20). They also recognized their relationship toward God. Jesus pointed out their obligations to both God and the State (v. 21). Thus the basic text on separation of church and state does not mean that the two have no relations whatever. Jesus recognized the existence, rights, and functions of the state, (Matt. 22:15-21). The early Christians in missionary work utilized roads and sea lanes provided by the state (cf. Paul's travels, Acts 13:16; 27). On occasion Paul accepted or called for the protection of the state (Acts 18:27ff.; 22:25ff.; 25:10-12). At the same time Christians were exhorted to submit to the authority of the state (Rom. 13:1ff.; 1 Pet. 2:12-17). Even when persecuted by the state they were to endure, it willingly as a testimony unto the Lord (1 Pet. 3:14-15). In the peaceful existence of an orderly society they were to carry on their spiritual work (1 Tim. 2:1ff.).

Church and state are mutually related in the normal events of life. The state provided a proper atmosphere in which the churches carry on their work (cf. fire and police protection, national security, postal service, and general

## Thank-You' Note From Parchman

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the inmates at

Parchman, I wish to thank those

that were responsible for the

donations of money, gifts and

various items that tended to make

Christmas more home-like

for the ones that were incarcerated.

Through this media, I wish to thank the newspapers, radio

and television stations for their

time. Churches, group organiza-

tions, and the many individ-

uals that spared their time and

efforts in this program of hol-

iday cheer, which was more than appreciated.

All these items whether they seemed small to you at the

time, were more than accepted

in a large way by our people here.

Mrs. C. E. Breazeale,

Miss. State Penitentiary,

Parchman, Miss.

Appreciation

From California

Dear Brother Quarles:

On behalf of my church and the churches of Orange County Southern Baptist Association I

would like to express appreci-

ation to you and all of the

Southern Baptists in Mississip-

pi for sharing with us in our

work.

May God continue to lead

and bless you and your conven-

tion as you follow the Lord

Jesus Christ.

Gratefully yours,

Clyde B. Skidmore

Chairman of Evangelism

Orange County Southern

Baptist Association

Garden Grove, California

## New Books

CLEAR SHINING AFTER RAIN by E. Margaret Clarkson (Wm. B. Eerdmans, 75 pp., \$2.50).

A book of religious verse,

written by an excellent crafts-

man in the art of poetry. Mar-

garite Clarkson is also the

author of the well-known hymn,

"So Send I You."

JEWS, GENTILES AND THE CHURCH by Noel Smith (Baptist Bible Tribune, 122 pp., \$2.00).

The author shows that there

are three classes in the world

today, Jews, Gentiles and the

Church. He carefully studies

what the Bible reveals about

these, and shows what God's

plans for them are. He shows

that God is not through with

the Jew and that he still has a

place in prophecy; that the

times of the Gentiles are yet to

come to an end; and that a

church is a local visible assem-

bly, fulfilling God's purpose

until the Lord comes again. He shows the unscript-

urfulness of calling the church

a "local church" or claiming that the

churches now fulfill the prom-

ise to Abraham. He reveals

the fallacy of the universal

# New Look Apparent In Foreign Missions

By The Baptist Press  
(Another in a Series)

There is a new look about Southern Baptist Foreign missions.

With its eye on the constantly-changing world situation, the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has adopted its work in 50 countries to suit the times and conditions.

Among the new developments are these:

1. English-language churches in many foreign cities. One in Tokyo, for instance, rated a column in *Time* magazine. (In Germany, an English-language church joined with a German Baptist church to sponsor mission work in Spanish.)

A couple formerly in Richmond, Va., where the board has its offices, has been appointed to develop English-speaking churches in Germany.

There also are English-language churches in Argentina, Brazil and Venezuela.

The need for these churches arose (1) From the large number of American military personnel stationed abroad and (2) From the fact that American industries are sending United States citizens to serve their business interests around the world.

2. Growth of indigenous, or self-maintained, work. The Southern Baptist missionary from America, in whatever country he may be, works toward a self-maintained and self-supported program by the Baptists who were born and reared in that country.

The degree of self-sufficiency varies greatly from country to country. In Brazil, Baptists have a large publishing house in Rio De Janeiro. Baptists in Taiwan sent a missionary of their own to Thailand.

3. Have Printing Program

In Japan, Hong Kong and Indonesia, Baptists also have their own printing program.

In still other countries, self-support may be some time acoming.

3. The call on Baptist denominational leaders in the United States for professional help abroad.

Merrill D. Moore and Robert J. Hastings from the stewardship office of the convention's Executive Committee in Nashville (now its Stewardship Commission) have visited Asian and South American countries to lead conferences on tithing,

church budgeting and stewardship planning.

Similar visits by other specialists from Baptist agencies in the United States have been made from time to time.

In more than one place, missionaries were later to declare, "These visits were one of the greatest things that could have happened to us."

The comparatively new forward program of church finance, already a success in United States churches, is being adapted to meet the needs and conditions of Baptist churches in other countries.

4. The release to independent state Baptist convention status of the former territory of Hawaii, now the 50th state. This is being completed swiftly, after 20 years of its being a foreign mission field.

5. Periodic visits from laymen—who are not commissioned as permanent appointees of the board—to bolster certain phases of the work. An Oklahoma City doctor spent three months in Nigeria in a medical program.

Laymen at their own expense have visited Baptist mission work in Mexico in a project jointly sponsored by the Foreign Mission Board and the Brotherhood Commission of the convention.

Schools Follow Missionaries

6. The winning of respect among local people and leaders. Christ-centered humanitarian projects have been going on from the beginning of Southern Baptist foreign missions over 100 years ago.

Schools and hospitals have been quick to follow the advent of missionaries. When the roster of countries is presented in the board's annual report to the Southern Baptist Convention, this is clearly evident in country after country, area after area.

In the Africa, Europe and Near East area, for example, the Baptist hospital at Gaza, between Israel and Egypt, distinguished itself for medical care of the wounded in a war there.

In Nigeria, one of the strongest mission points of all, plans are under way for a college to follow up the already-acclaimed high schools. Five prominent officials in the new independent government received education in them.

7. The mission force is growing—now more than 1500 with

the goal of 1000 by 1964. Southern Baptist support of the mission program is growing too through the cooperative program although Executive Secretary Baker J. Cauthen of Richmond cites many still unmet calls for service.

"Each year the recommendations which have been placed before the Foreign Mission Board by official action of the missions actually exceed funds available by \$3 million," he told the St. Louis Convention earlier this year.

The Foreign Mission Board, although its basic support comes from the Cooperative Program, also receives sizeable sums through the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for foreign missions.

The Cooperative Program will furnish \$74 million to the board for operations this year, more than half of the total operating funds for all the agencies. In addition, it will supply \$800,000 for capital expansion in foreign missions.

Budget Over \$8 Million

Thus foreign missions receives over \$8 million from a total budget of \$18½ million.

The last Lottie Moon Christmas Offering brought in \$8.2 million.

8. New countries are opening to service—Pakistan, Vietnam, Guam, and Okinawa in the Orient; Portugal in Europe, and Liberia, Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia in Africa.

The work of the Foreign Mission Board overseas is divided

into three areas—Africa, Europe and the Near East together; Latin America, and the Orient. Each area has a secretary to supervise the work. The secretary periodically goes to the area of responsibility for residence of several months.

Cauthen is a former mission

ary to China.

## Serious Setback In Giving Seen In President's Tax Plan

(Editorial in the Louisiana Baptist Message)

September 13, 1962 the Baptist Message stated editorially that it had been rumored in Washington that one of the proposals to be made by President Kennedy in 1963 to effect a tax cut would incorporate a reduction of the percentage presently allowed for religious and charitable causes.

It is no longer a rumor, but a live proposal, and if enacted by Congress it is certain to have an adverse effect on contributions to religious groups, colleges, hospitals and charitable institutions.

One of the first church leaders to comment on the President's plan was T. K. Thompson, director of the National Council of Churches Department of Stewardship and Benevolences, who said, "the proposals would undoubtedly make it harder for churches and charities to raise funds and it's already hard enough."

"The President's recommendations," he said, "had been discussed by him with some philanthropic leaders, most of whom agreed that the changes would have a 'negative,' if not a 'catastrophic,' effect on giving."

5% Floor

The President's proposal is a 5 per cent floor on itemized deductions to non-profit groups, which means, a taxpayer's total contributions would have to be reduced by 5 per cent of his gross income before, they could be claimed on the income tax form.

The following is a tax case prepared especially for the Baptist Message by a tax consultant which illustrates the 5 per cent reduction.

As the law now stands:

Joe & Jane Doe with two minor children, earning \$5000.00 per year, itemizing his deductions.

Itemized Deductions

Contributions: Church (Tithes) on gross \$500.00; Other Charities, 10.00, Total \$510.00.

Interest: Home Mortgage Interest \$172.00.

Taxes: La. Sales Tax (From Charge) \$73.00; Auto Tag 3.00; Gasoline Tax (320 gal. at 7 cents) 22.40; City Property Taxes 12.00, Total \$110.40.

Medical: None this year.

Other: Deductions: Union Dues \$10.00.

(Fed. & State) 15.00, Total \$51.00.

Total, \$844.32.

Net Taxable Income is, \$1.753.68.

Using same problem above:

Total Items. Deductions \$844.32.

Less 5% of Earnings (5000.00)

(250.00).

Net Deductions allowable,

\$594.32.

Taxable net income then

would be, \$2005.68.

Amounts To \$2005.68

Thus, Joe and Jane Doe's taxable income would amount to \$2005.68 instead of \$1755.68.

Under existing tax rates, they

would be expected to pay a larger tax. However, since Mr.

Kenneedy proposes lowering

over-all tax rates, they would

probably end up paying a

smaller tax, even with the

stricter rule on itemized deduc-

tions. But their tax saving

would be far less than it might

have been had the President

decided in his proposal only to

cut rates and leave the rules for

itemized deduction alone.

The savings, however, for a

couple with two children earn-

ing \$7500 a year would only be

\$1.56 a week over the next

three years.

The irony of the proposal is

that a couple using the stand-

ard tax form can deduct 10 per

cent (up to \$1000) even though

they do not give one dime to

charity, etc. Consequently,

they are better off tax-wise

than the individual who dona-

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Authority Quoted

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"In the decade between 1950

and 1960 farm mortgage indebt-

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cent; non-farm mortgage debts

increased 120.8 per cent, and

long term U. S. Corporate debt

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Editor's Note: According to

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THIS IS THE INITIAL SKETCH of the architect's drawing of the new sanctuary of First Church, Philadelphia, which will occupy the northeast corner of the present block, adjacent to the present church building. The new building will seat approximately 680 persons, with covered arcades connecting the buildings and a specially designed room for the Music Ministry choral program. Cost of the construction has been estimated at \$225,000.00. Thomas Shelton Jones of Starkville is the architect. Rev. Roy Collum is pastor.

## Registrations For Washington RA Congress To Open Feb. 22

MEMPHIS (BP) — Almost everybody knows Feb. 22 is George Washington's Birthday. But to Royal Ambassadors the day has another special meaning this year.

It is "Registration Kick-Off Day" for the third national

### Council Picks Barry as Chairman

NASHVILLE (BP) — The advisory council of Southern Baptists for work with Negroes has elected John A. (Buddy) Barry of Nashville as its chairman. Barry, associate secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Education Commission, Nashville, succeeds Hugh A. Brim of Louisville.

Victor T. Glass, associate secretary of work with national Baptists, SBC Home Mission Board, Atlanta, is the new vice-chairman. Ross Coggins, Nashville, Associate Secretary, SBC Christian Life Commission is secretary.

Royal Ambassador Congress. This national event for an expected 6,000 boys 12-17 will be held Aug. 13-15 at Washington, D. C. under the auspices of the Baptist Brotherhood Commission and state brotherhood departments.

Boys who register early will save money, Edward Hurt, Jr., Congress Director, said. Registration fee is \$2 for boys who sign up by July 4 and \$2.50 thereafter.

First program personality selected for the boys' meeting is Gregory Walcott, Baptist lay preacher, television personality, and California Baptists' Representative on the Brotherhood Commission.

Walcott will play a leading part in a pageant pointing up the prominent role of early Baptists in bringing religious liberty to this country.

30-Minute Pageant The 30-minute pageant will highlight the opening night of the congress.

Other congress features will include a short address by the winner of a national speakers contest and dedication of a memorial to Luther Rice, an early Baptist leader.

The featured speaker, a Royal Ambassador, will be chosen during competition between states Aug. 11 at Washington. Competition within states is being supervised by state brotherhood departments.

The memorial to Rice, a 10-foot limestone monument, will be unveiled on the lawn of the new Luther Rice Memorial Baptist Church. It is to serve as a Royal Ambassador testimony to Washington.

Royal Ambassador chapters are permitted by their state brotherhood departments to give a maximum of \$1 toward the cost of the Rice Memorial, Hurt said.

### Anti-Missionary Laws Demanded By Extremists'

JERUSALEM (RNS) — A policy of "restraint" urged by an Israeli government official was assailed here as demands were renewed for "anti-missionary" legislation.

In calling for a strong government law barring proselytization and restricting the work of Christian missionaries, members of a newly-organized unit called the Council To Combat Missions derided the stand of Dr. Zerah Wahrahaftig, Israel's minister of religions.

The meeting, held at the Tel Aviv Religious Council headquarters, was attended by several hundred rabbis and Orthodox lay leaders.

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### Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Convention

March 11-12, 1963  
First Baptist Church, Jackson  
Begins Monday night—7:00 o'clock  
Adjourns Tuesday Night—9:15

Age-Group Conferences Leader  
Cradle Roll—Mrs. J. B. Parker, Jackson  
Nursery (one or two departments)—Carolyn Madison, Jackson  
Nursery (three or more departments)—Mrs. Eddie Prather, Tupelo

Beginner (one department)—Mrs. George Meek, Jackson  
Beginner (two or more departments)—Mary Royce Eckles, Greenville

Primary (departments—only one age)—Robert Dowdy, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville  
Primary (departments—more than one age)—Mrs. George Ethridge, Bailey

Junior (teachers)—W. T. Douglas, Jackson  
Junior (department workers)—Neta Stewart, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville

Intermediate (teachers)—George Holmes, Alabama Sunday School Department, Montgomery  
Intermediate (department workers)—James Webster, Jackson  
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Extension—John Alexander, Jackson  
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Superintendent and General Associates—Harold Marsh, Alabama Sunday School Department, Montgomery

Teachers—J. Clark Hensley, Jackson  
Educational Directors—Henry Love, First Baptist Church, Shreveport  
Kindergarten (no. Tuesday morning conference)—Mrs. Hester Blaine, Jackson

Memory and Beginner children cared for during all sessions. Primary children provision on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

American Telephone & Telegraph announced plans to launch a

## Names In The News

Rev. Jim Hanks is the new pastor of Fowell Survey Mission, Meridian, (sponsored by Calvary Church, Meridian, Rev. W. Old Seal, pastor). Rev. Hanks assumed his new duties on February 3. The Hanks, who have three children, Becky, Cathy, and Nancy, live at Newton where Rev. Hanks is a student at Clarke College.

Riley Mundy of Cleveland will be guest humorist at the Valentine Banquet at First Church, Yazoo City Thursday night, February 14. The theme will be "Sweethearts Down South." Mr. Mundy has a long-play record called "Smile Southern Style" which he will present at the banquet. Rev. James Yates is pastor at First, Yazoo City.

Harry Thomas, Jr., Milner Wise, and Keith Cobb, members of Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor, have been selected for the University of Southern Mississippi Hall of Fame. They are seniors at the university.

Dr. David Mason, New Orleans, will be the guest speaker at the Sweetheart Banquet at Oak Grove Church, Smithdale. The banquet will be held at Morrison's Cafeteria in New Orleans. Dr. Mason has written several books, two of which are "Eight Steps Toward Maturity" and "The Charlie Matthews Story. The topic of his devotional will be "Love".

Rev. Toxie Hedgepeth has resigned the pastorate of Crooked Creek Church, Lawrence County, to accept a church in Rankin County.

Simone Beth, second child of Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Bivins, missionaries to Israel, was born January 21. Mr. and Mrs. Bivins may be addressed at Box 177, Petah Tiqwa, Israel. He is a native of Atlanta, Ga.; she is the former Sarah Kolb, of Conway, S. C.

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Miss Mabel Summers, missionary to the Near East, has moved from Jerusalem, Jordan, to Beirut, Lebanon, to help plan for the Baptist Youth World Conference to be held in Beirut this summer. Her address is Box 2026, Beirut, Lebanon. She is a native of Bardstown, Ky.

Mrs. Mary Evelyn Fredericksburg, missionary now on furlough from Nigeria, has moved to Metropolis, Ill. (Address: C-0 Mrs. E. O. Wilson, 8 Marberry Drive), from Orlando, Fla. She is a native of Detroit, Minn.

Dr. Russell Bush, member of First Church, Colombia, and President of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, was the featured speaker for the Brotherhood-sponsored Adult Valentine Banquet at First Church, Crystal Springs on Tuesday, February 12. Rev. A. Estus Mason is pastor.

Paul Bird was recently ordained to the ministry of music and education by the Unity Church, Jackson County, Rev. R. V. Walker, pastor.

J. R. Pegues, Pilot Life Insurance Company, Tupelo, was one of 18 laymen from Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Tennessee who participated in the recent Baptist Laymen's Week in 18 churches in the Los Angeles Southern Baptist Association, Los Angeles, California. A Baptist business man, R. Aubrey Waldrep of Gainesville, Georgia was leader of the Laymen's Crusade.

The Baptist Student Union of William Carey College was in charge of the prayer meeting hour at Temple Church, Hattiesburg, Wednesday evening, January 30. The students discussed various phases of the Baptist Student Union work on the Carey campus. Topics discussed by Carey students included: "Devotional Life," "Ruby Jones, Anguilla," "Extension and Mission Activities," "Jimmie Coleman, Long Beach," "Student Summer Mission," "Shapoor Haward, Wagerville, Alabama," and "How the BSU has Helped me to Grow Spiritually at Carey," Barry Hall, Washington, D. C. Miss Jewel Hannah, Baptist Student Union Director, presented the program and Eugene Hattaway, MacClellan, Florida, sang.

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CHRISTMAS IN JAPAN—A 45-minute network Christmas television program in Japan featured Charlton Heston, star of the motion picture, "The Ten Commandments," (right) and Shuichi Matsumura, director of the Japan Baptist New Life Movement. Nihon television donated the time free to the Japan Baptist Convention, sponsor of the nationwide evangelistic crusade this year.—(BP Photo)

## SPAIN REPORTED STUDYING LAW REGARDING PROTESTANTS

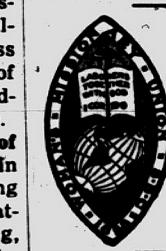
MADRID (RNS) — A law governing the status of the Protestant minority in Spain is being considered by the Spanish government, it was announced here.

The announcement was made by Minister of Information Manuel Fraga Iribarne following a meeting of the Cabinet.

It is estimated that there are between 20,000 and 30,000 Protestants in Spain.

It was earlier reported that the situation of the Protestant community had been discussed at a conference of the Spanish Roman Catholic metropolitans held in Madrid.

Informants said some of the questions considered by the prelates may have involved more freedom to open Protestant schools in the country and the easing of Church restrictions in cases of mixed marriages, which are permissible only under the civil code.



### Woman's Missionary Union

President—MRS. J. T. LYONS, McComb  
Executive Secretary—MISS EDWINA ROBINSON  
YWA Director—MISS MARJEAN PATTERSON  
Sunbeam Director—MISS WAUDINE STOREY  
GA Director—MISS RUTH WOMACK

### Regional Gathering Girl's Auxiliary

First Baptist Church, February 23

Louisville, Mississippi

Regional Gatherings for all the G.A.'s are being held throughout the state. The second meeting at Louisville will feature as the missionary speaker a native of Mississippi who serves in Spain, Mrs. Charles Whitten.

Emphasis on the State Queens' Court and Girls' Auxiliary Camps will be the afternoon program. Throughout the day the 50 years existence as an organization for girls will be highlighted by skits looking in on the past, present, and future.

Every girl is encouraged to wear a dress symbolic of any of the years between 1913 and 1963. Each individual brings a lunch and the drink is provided by the church.

The report of attendance from the Hattiesburg Regional Gathering was 1,035.

### SUNBEAM NURSERY WORKSHOP

February 18-22

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## Coast Cities Hold Successful Religious Survey

Despite two cold waves and heavy rains, the Pascagoula-Moss Point Religious Survey was a success. In Moss Point the survey was 95.5% completed. Last February approximately 45 churches of that area participated in an Area Religious Survey. After the results were compiled and the "Book of Prospects" was issued, the cards were filed in the office of the Superintendent of Missions, Rev. John B. Laney.

This year the packets were re-assembled and a telephone re-check was conducted January 13-16. Workers were enlisted and instructed to telephone each family listed on the cards. It was discovered that approximately 40 of the families had changed residence in the 11 month period.

On January 18, canvassers were trained to visit the remaining homes. It was discovered that 1,486 persons hold non-local church membership of which approximately 60% are Southern Baptist. An additional 2,886 persons over nine years of age hold no membership at all. The survey revealed approximately 1100 children under nine are not enlisted in Sunday school or church activities. Even though tremendous growth of population has been experienced, the percentage of unaffiliated church members and unenlisted children decreased considerably. The one factor which caused the greatest concern was an increase in the percentage of persons with no church membership.

At the present time, Jackson County is the fastest growing county in Mississippi. In Pascagoula, according to their Chamber of Commerce, the population presently stands at 25,000. Their recent report from MIT predicts the population would be 50,000 by 1965. This means that Southern Baptists need 20 new churches begun this year in the Pascagoula-Moss Point area.

Rev. John B. Laney, Co-ordinator, and O. D. Morris of Jackson, Director, have set up permanent files of the information.

Protestant church women in this country and abroad have reached their one-year \$100,000 goal in a fund-raising drive for the health and physical education facilities and program of the International Christian University in Japan.

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Dr. Shiro Hirano, outstanding  
Japanese Baptist layman and  
lay preacher, died January 24  
of a heart attack.

A doctor of pharmacology, Dr. Hirano was a chemist for a drug concern in Tokyo at the time of his death. Previously he taught in the International Christian University, Tokyo. An authority on hormones and visceral chemistry, he was author of technical books.

Dr. Hirano led in the organization and development of the Japanese Baptist Church, Tokyo. He had recently taken a leading part in preparations for the Japanese Baptist New Life Movement, a nation-wide evangelistic campaign that is scheduled to take place between March 30 and May 5 this year.

He was one of a group of Japanese Baptist leaders who visited the United States early in 1962 to work out plans for cooperation between the Japanese Baptist Convention, which is sponsoring the campaign, and Southern Baptists.

**Brother Of Missionary Dies**

Dr. A. O. Meredith, brother of Miss Helen Meredith, Southern Baptist missionary to Colombia, died January 25. Miss Meredith, now on furlough, may be addressed at 868 Rosedale Rd., N. E., Atlanta 6, Ga. She is a native of Hartwell, Ga.

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## MISSION SEED SOWN IN '62

## BEAR FRUIT IN '63 GIFT

DECATUR, Ga. (BP)—The Biblical law that one reaps what he sows was fulfilled here on the positive side when the first gift for the 1963 Annie Armstrong offering for home missions came from seed sown during the 1962 emphasis.

Century old First Baptist Church of Decatur, a mother and grandmother of a number of missions and churches in this heavily-populated section of Georgia, awoke last year to new responsibilities in nearby institutions.

The "awakening" was a part of the study of "Glimpses of Glory," one of the mission study books for the annual home mission emphasis, sponsored by the Woman's missionary Union.

The book tells of the birth of the Southern Baptist 30,000 movement, and is written by the founder and present director of the project, C. C. Warren of Charlotte, N. C.

Pastor Dick Hall participated in some of the study sessions. He found an awareness of the need and an enthusiasm to meet it. He extended some of the presentations church wide. Other organizations were enlisted within the church.

A staff member was assigned to guide in developing a ministry to people in institutions who could not go to church. The brotherhood made a survey to discover what institutions needed a spiritual ministry, and eventually the church started five such missions.

**W.M.U. accepted Tasks**  
One of these was at the Emory Convalescent Home, and the Woman's Missionary Union accepted the assignment. Four teams were formed, with one team going each Sunday to conduct the service.

The response of those at the home was reward enough for those who presented the services. "It sounds just like home," one said. "It's the best thing that happens here," another remarked.

A church member who teaches, plays the piano, and visits old, "it's the most worthwhile

## Three From States Lecture In Mexico

Three Southern Baptist leaders from the United States delivered a series of lectures in Mexico January 6-11 for more than 50 Mexican Baptist pastors, members of local church building committees, officials of the National Baptist Convention of Mexico, and Southern Baptist missionaries. The sessions were held at First Baptist Church, Mexico City.

W. A. Harrell, secretary of the Church Architecture Department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, spoke on "The Relations of the Church Building to Sunday School Growth." L. E. Coleman, Sr., associate secretary of the Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission, spoke on "The Place of the Layman in the Work of the Church."

David Cheavens, professor of journalism at Baylor University, Waco, Tex., spoke on "The Public Relations of a Baptist Church." (Mr. Cheavens is the son of former Southern Baptist missionaries to Mexico.)

The guest speakers were selected for the conference by Roy L. Lyon, Southern Baptist missionary who is director of city missions for the Mexican convention.

## DEVOTIONAL

## Neglected Power

By Rev. Norman Deaton, Pastor  
Lowrey Memorial, Blue Mountain

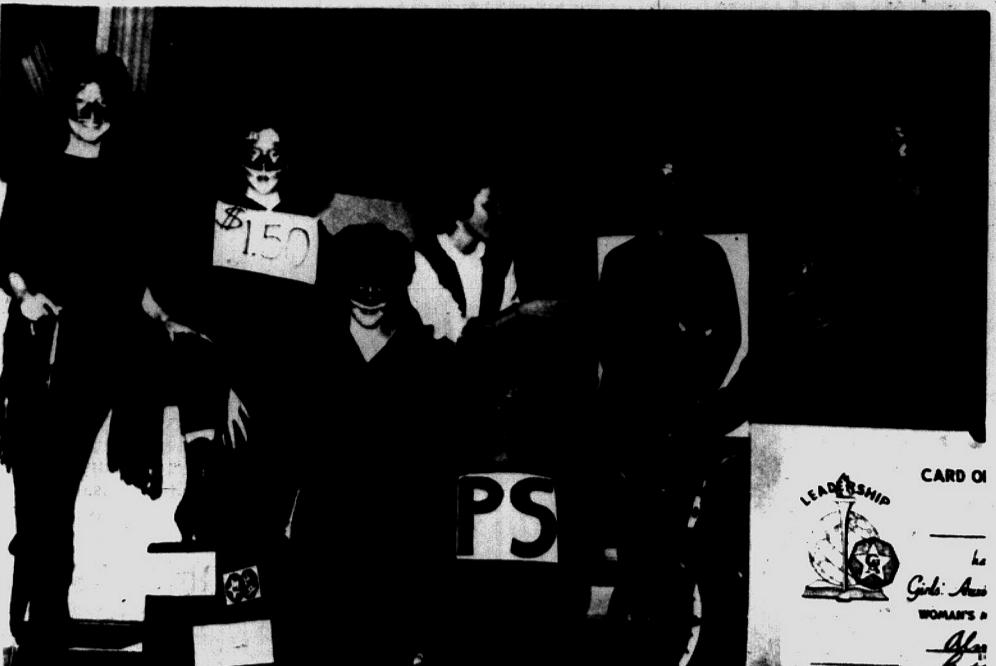
Suppose the United States, with its great nuclear capability, becoming involved in an all-out war with another H-bomb-equipped nation, should say, "Oh, it's too much trouble to arm our nuclear warheads and fire our rockets. Of course, they're shooting at us with such, but let's just fight back with sticks and mudballs!" That would be lunacy, wouldn't it? To have weapons of fantastic power and in a war for survival be too lazy to use them would be pathetic and idiotic. But I know something more pathetic than that!

The forces of God are involved in an all-out spiritual conflict with Satan, which makes nuclear war look like a slingshot fight. The Christian has an unbelievably potent weapon, prayer. It is as limitless as the might of God himself. It is so mighty that Paul, listing the believer's armor and weaponry in Ephesians, can find nothing in the Roman arsenal with which to compare it. If he were writing today, he might liken it to a nuclear missile. For you can pray in faith for a missionary half a world away, and instantaneously God accomplishes mighty things out there. It is as if Jesus has given us blank checks on the Bank of Heaven, with His signature on them, and has said, "Come and ask freely. There is no limit, except that you ask in accord with the Father's good purposes."

Yet not one Christian in twenty, or perhaps in a hundred, knows how to pray effectively! And very few believers consistently come to God in powerful, prevailing believing prayer, winning the victories to which He invites us! We foolishly rely on the feeble resources and strategies of man, rather than the infinite, supernatural power of God. Satan knows that the Christian has a weapon that will assure victory, if it is ever brought into use. So he works more desperately to cause us to neglect prayer than anything else. If he can hinder us here, he can defeat our most well-intended efforts for God. Jesus was not merely making idle talk when He said, "Without Me ye can do nothing." Jesus wrote, "You don't get what you want because you don't ask God for it." (James 4:4, Phillips translation) John Wesley said, "God does nothing but in answer to prayer." There was a time that I did not take those Scriptural statements at face value, and I thought Wesley a little extreme. But countless failures of my human evangelistic efforts and well-meant but prayerless plans have demonstrated that nothing of lasting spiritual value is accomplished without earnest, believing prayer. "The arm of flesh will fail you; ye dare not trust your own!"

I talked the other day to a college student who had recently made the exciting discovery that God could be for her a prayer-answering God. All her life she had heard about believing prayer, but had never before gotten far enough out on the limb of trust to "ask in faith, nothing wavering." (James 1:6) Now she was determined that this exhilarating experience would become a day-by-day feature of her prayer life. Would that all who know Christ would make this discovery, and employ the potent weapon of prayer in their daily battles for Christ. The assault on the strongholds of Satan would be irresistible! "Moreover, as for me, God forbid that I should sin against the Lord in ceasing to pray for you!" (1 Samuel 12:23)

A missionary should be a Christian characterized by radical obedience, an obedience that will sometimes make him seem strange to some other people. This obedience does not ask, "What is going to happen to me?" It asks only, "What does my Lord want me to do?" — Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board.



GAs of First Church, Hattiesburg, put on a cat-catch skit before 1200 sister GAs from all over South Mississippi on Saturday, February 2, Hattiesburg, First Church, played host to the area GA Rally which was an all-day affair. Becky Rowden was the spokesman for the skit and is shown above pointing out various aspects of interest in the GA Fiftieth Anniversary year. From left to right, the players are: Susie Weilett, Barbara Tyner, Jane Bradley, Becky Rowden, Ann Marie Freeman, Polly Wright, Connie Benedict and Lynn Adkinson.

## Speakers Named For S. S. Week

NASHVILLE — Speakers for Sunday School Leadership Conferences this summer at Glorieta (N. M.) and Ridgecrest (N. C.) Baptist Assemblies have been announced by Dr. A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Baptist Sunday School Board's Sunday School Department.

Dates and preachers for the two Glorieta Sunday School Leadership Conferences are:

June 27-July 3—Dr. T. A. Patterson, Executive Secretary of Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas. July 4-10—Dr. James Riley, pastor, Second Baptist Church, Houston.

Dates and preachers for the three Ridgecrest Sunday School Leadership Conferences are:

July 18-24—Dr. Gordon Clinard, Professor of preaching, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, July 25-31—Dr. Winston Cawley, secretary for the Orient, Foreign Mission Board, Richmond; August 1-7—Dr. James Belote, president of Hong Kong Baptist Theological Seminary.

For reservations, write to:

Mr. E. A. Herron, Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Glorieta, N. M. or Mr. Willard K. Weeks, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C.

## Edwards Calls J. S. Johnson

Rev. J. S. Johnson will begin his ministry with the Edwards Church Sunday, February 10, coming from the pastorate of Sunrise-Zion Hill Church, near Hattiesburg.

Rev. Johnson received his education at Central High, Jackson, Mississippi College (with special distinction), and New Orleans Seminary. He was licensed to preach by Calvary Church, Jackson, and ordained by Highland Church, Jackson.

He is married to the former Mary Sue Latham of Tunica. They have three children.

In addition to pastorate in Mississippi, Rev. Johnson served as a summer student missionary in 1953 for the Home Mission Board.



## Disciples' Giving Up \$1.5 Million During Year

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (BP)—Disciples of Christ gave a total of \$88,901,900 in this fiscal year ending June 30 for the denomination's work in this country and abroad, an increase of about \$1.5 million dollars over the previous year, according to the 1962 Yearbook of Christian Churches published here.

## Lima Church Occupies New Building

Ebenezer Baptist Church, in the Miraflores suburb of Lima, Peru, inaugurated its new two-story building last fall, "in the center of one of the finest residential sections of Lima," says Mrs. F. David Stull, Southern Baptist missionary and wife of the pastor.

On the street level is the

## SBC Unit for

## Adults Planned

## In T. U. Magazine

NASHVILLE — The Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board has prepared a special unit on "Your Southern Baptist Convention," included in adult quarters for April, May and June, 1963.

The second quarter issues of "Baptist Adults" and "Baptist Young Adults" will provide discussion material on these five questions:

1. What theological concepts are involved in the organization and policy of the Southern Baptist Convention?
2. What do we mean by "autonomy" of Baptist bodies?
3. What is the scope of the work of the Southern Baptist Convention?
4. What are some of the problems facing the annual meeting of the convention in 1963 in Kansas City?
5. How can Baptist practice "unity in diversity?"

Herschel H. Hobbs, convention president from Oklahoma City, has written the special materials. Leonard Hill, Nashville production editor of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, has prepared discussion plans for the study.

Each of the five has attended a Baptist college.

The estates of Mrs. M. May Roberson and Joseph L. Shepard provided the funds from which the loan-scholarships come. The estates are administered by the Southern Baptist Convention Foundation.

Students who receive them plan to teach in Southern Baptist colleges. They use the money to study for their doctor's degrees. They repay the loan-scholarships by teaching in denominational schools, according to Rabun L. Brantley, Nashville, Commission executive secretary.

The five students getting the first funds are: John Burton, son of Joe W. Burton, Nashville, Editor of Home Life, and secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention; Walter B. Thompson, Atlanta; Kenneth Lee Fox, Logan Wright, Tulsa, Okla., and Miss Gladys Bryant, Greenville, S. C.



## Meadowview, Starkville, Dedicates Sanctuary

The new Meadowview Church, Starkville, had dedication services on Sunday, February 3, at 2:30 p.m. for their new building, pictured above.

The dedication service was followed by open house. A vesper service was held at 6:00 P. M. at which time the ordinance of the Lord's Supper was observed.

The Meadowview congrega-

## Baylor Receives Church-State Studies Gift

Baylor University's J. M. Dawson Studies in Church and State recently received a check for \$5,000 from the southern jurisdiction of the Supreme Council of Scottish Rite Masons.

In a letter to Baylor professor Dr. James Wood, director of the church-state studies, Luther A. Smith, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Southern Scottish Rite Masons, said "This is another contribution to further the cause of education in the area of church-state separation to which Baylor University is making such a fine contribution."

## Beam Circulation Jumps 20,000

FORT WORTH, Tex.—Circulation of the Beam, monthly magazine of Southern Baptists' Radio and Television Commission, jumped 20,000 during 1962, editor Virgil Hensley said today.

Total circulation now stands at 47,500. A goal of 75,000 Beam subscribers has been set for 1963. Virtually all of the magazine's promotion efforts and sales are accomplished by direct mail.

The unprecedented co-operation being maintained among seven Baptist bodies in North America because of the 1962-64 Baptist Jubilee Advance Program will likely continue beyond 1964 as a result of action taken by the Joint Baptist Jubilee Advance Committee.

## APPLEGATE TO SPEAK AT EAST CORINTH

Rev. D. C. Applegate, pastor

of First Church of Starkville and first vice-president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, will be the featured speaker at East Corinth church's second annual Forward Program Loyalty Dinner.

Scheduled Thursday evening, February 21, the Loyalty Dinner will take place at the Graham Cafeteria in Corinth and will spotlight the 1963 theme, "Sharing Christ With The Whole World."

Use of Forward Program materials and other stewardship and missions emphases at East Corinth resulted in an 11% gain in total offerings and a 10% increase in missions gifts during 1962 over the previous year, and helped enable the church to retire its entire building indebtedness.

Rev. John M. Wilkes is pastor.

ATLANTA, Ga. (BP)—Aquilla Chamlee, former president of Tift College, died in Fort Valley, Ga., at age 88. Death came from natural causes. Fort Chamlee had lived in Fort Valley since retiring as Tift President in 1938. He was president of the Baptist Woman's College 17 years.